

in her, and that she had lost
hope and courage. She
had deemed to care for nothing.
Has she said anything to you
of her state of mind? I would
not ask you while she was
at home because I always
show her your letters to me.
If Annie should like Santa Cruz
and stay there several weeks I
may go down to see her. The fare
is only \$3.00. from San Jose,
and Pupa wants me to go.

Sam goes to China on the next
steamer and I shall have
to try a new hand at some
kinds. I may perhaps get a
girl for this winter so as to
be entirely free to do all that
can be done for Annie.

Poor child if only I might some
way bear her sickness for her.
Have you got those remedies for
your throat from America yet?

Ellen

Friday eve

I told Annie to tell
you that you need not come
up now till her return from
Santa Cruz; not that I should
not be especially glad to see
you but as you do not come
often you must make all
your visits when she is at
home. I think she was
quite pleased to go, and I
was anxious to have her
at the same time that I
do not anticipate any
particular benefit, it is
a change for her and when
she comes home that will
be another. I have (in my
own mind) seriously
debated whether it was not

my duty to send for you to come home and be with her, but finally concluded not to do so at present.

Joe came up Wednesday evening as he had vacation the rest of this week, but for that I should have been entirely alone as Papa went last night to San Jose with Annie in order that the ride to day might be less. Aunt June went down from the City this morning on the other side of the bay and Papa will see Annie on the train to meet her this morning. They do not reach San Jose before 10, and so Annie would not have to hurry in the morning. Sat. morn. Papa came home late last evening. He said that they

would reach Santa Cruz about 4 o'clock and that was better than I expected.

I think while Annie is away I shall take up the parlor carpet and fit up the parlor for a bedroom for her this winter. In that way she can have an open fire and be in her room as much as she pleases, and it ties her very much to go up and down stairs. At the same time she will be near me in the night and in the day she can be away from the bustle.

I have wished that I knew whether she ever says anything about herself to you. I have felt since she came back from Oakland the last time that there was a great change in



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